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NEW CLAIMS 27-28

Independent claim 27 has been added and recites limitations similar to claim 1, which stands rejected as being anticipated by Zila. The Applicants submit that the invention of claim 27 is patentable over Zila as Zila fails to teach or suggest a chamber body having an evacuable interior volume, a substrate support coupled to the chamber body, and lid assembly moved by a motor relative the substrate support between a first position enclosing the interior volume and a second position. Thus, the Applicants submit that new claim 27 and claim 28 that depends therefrom, are allowable over the references of record.

CONCLUSION

Thus, the Applicant submits that all claims now pending are in condition for allowance. Accordingly, both reconsideration of this application and its swift passage to issuance are earnestly solicited.

If, however, the Examiner believes that any unresolved issues still exist, it is requested that the Examiner telephone Mr. Keith Taboada at (732) 530-9404 so that appropriate arrangements can be made for resolving such issues as expeditiously as possible.

Respectfully submitted,



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